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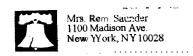
- ---- FDA must do more than put Bacteria warning labels on egg cartons and regulate egg refrigeration temperatures.
- --- -FDA should prohibit the practice of forced molting because forced molting has been **scientifically** shown to promote disease by destroying the starving hens' immune systems.
- --- -FDA has jurisdiction to ban farm practices, such as forced morting, that injure i
- --- -FDA must ban the forced molting of laying hens because forced molting is a primary cause of infectious diseases in hens, eggs, and consumers of eggs. THE CRUELTY & CONTAMINATION ARE LINKED I
- --- -FDA was petitioned in April 1998 to ban forced molting. This petition should be granted without further delay.

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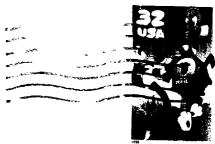
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